

BUILDERS TO FIGHT THE LICENSE BILL

Protest to Chamber of Commerce, Which Will Give Hearing.

Representative Smith's bill to regulate the licensing of builders in the District of Columbia will probably be the subject of a called meeting of the municipal legislative committee of the Chamber of Commerce next week.

The proposed measure is meeting with anything but favor on the part of local builders, and has resulted in a number of complaints being made to the Chamber of Commerce. It is believed that the municipal legislative committee will investigate the provisions of the bill, and make a report to the board of directors, as in the case of the bill regulating the licensing of plumbers, which it considered this week.

According to the bill, a board shall be created, composed of one architect, one builder, and the Inspector of Buildings, which shall examine all applications from builders in the District. First, second, third, and fourth class licenses shall be issued.

A first class license will entitle the licensee to engage in the construction of first-class buildings; a second class to build second class houses, which shall be designated by the board, and a third class to build third class houses, which shall be designated in the same manner. In the case of a fourth class license, the licensee shall engage in the construction of one building not over two stories high or of the third class.

The licensee must pay fees in order to take the examination; must file a bond with two sureties or a surety company approved by the Commissioner; and, in addition, must pay a license to engage in any construction work. Any person convicted in the Police Court of violating any of the provisions of the act shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$10 nor more than \$50, and, in default of payment, shall be confined in the workhouse of the District for a period not exceeding three months.

WILL SELL STAMPS BY SLOT MACHINES

Government to Place in Use Several New Devices as an Experiment.

Drop in a penny. Uncle Sam will do the rest.

That will be the proper thing after next Monday when several of the more important hotels and the railway waiting rooms will be equipped with the new automatic stamp selling devices. The Government intends to give a fair trial. There will be post card machines, stamp vending machines, and machines to place stamps on letters. But that will be later on. Just at present the Government is trying to find a slot machine that will sell stamps economically and quickly and will be a convenience to the public. For more than a year a committee of Postoffice Department officials has been at work going over the various devices of the kind offered for sale.

NEW YORKERS REVEL IN A REAL SALOME

Mary Garden at the Manhattan Gives Interpretation of Wilde-Strauss Opera Which Holds Ultra-Swagger Audience Spellbound.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—New York is today debating whether the city is becoming morally calloused or artistically educated.

The opera "Salome," which two years ago caused even blasé New York, to raise its hands in horror, and which through the intervention of J. Pierpont Morgan and other influential men in the affairs of the Metropolitan Opera House was discontinued after a single performance, was "interpreted" again last night by Mary Garden at the Manhattan Opera House. An ultra-swagger audience packed the house, and paid double prices for the privilege.

And the opera wasn't tamed down a bit, either. Mary Garden doesn't believe in taming things down, and in a one piece diaphanous garment, under which it is authoritatively reported, she wore white tights, she sang and danced with terrible realism the "wonderfully grand" or the "revolting and shocking"

—whichever side you are on—creation of Richard Strauss and Oscar Wilde.

All the Salomes that have wiggled money out of New York's pockets for the last year were as nothing compared to Mary Garden's work and many of those who graced the Manhattan boxes found it convenient to study their programs or cough behind their fans during some of the most "realistic" touches.

The dance of the "Seven Veils" caused a gasp from many like a cold shower bath, but seats at \$10 a piece are not to be vacated except on the greatest provocation, and it is admitted that Miss Garden could have gone further.

Again the question of the propriety of the opera has been raised, and again a protest is being made against its continuance. But the protest lacks the vigor of that of two years ago.

Isadora Duncan, Maud Allen, Gertrude Hoffman, and the other Salome dancers of vaudeville, have had an "educational" effect, and it is now believed that the elite will be able to stand the Mary Garden show without recourse to stimulants.

TRIES TO KILL WIFE, THEN SHOTS HIMSELF

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—After an ineffectual attempt to shoot his wife, Conrad Danielson, a wealthy Porto Rican, turned the revolver on himself in his apartment today. He is dying in Roosevelt Hospital.

Police heard the shots and a moment later was confronted by Mrs. Danielson, who ran screaming from the building. She said her husband had tried to shoot her after a jealous quarrel.

Pure air; pure food; pure water; pure soap.

They are of almost equal importance.

We cannot tell you where or how to get pure air, pure food or pure water.

But we can tell you where to get pure soap: Ivory Soap—at your grocer's.

Ivory Soap 99 4/100 Per Cent. Pure.

BULGARIA ASSENTS TO INDEMNITY PLAN

Will Send Representative to Constantinople—More Hopeful Tone Prevails.

SOFIA, Jan. 28.—It is unofficially stated today that Bulgaria will send a representative to Constantinople within the next forty-eight hours to resume negotiations with the Porte for the settlement of the indemnity dispute.

Premier Malloff is believed to have received assurances that Turkey will not raise the question of the readjustment of the Turco-Bulgarian boundary, but is ready to come to an immediate agreement on an indemnity basis alone.

A more hopeful tone prevails today, which is attributed to the quick action of the other powers in exhibiting their displeasure at Bulgaria's mobilization of her reserves on the frontier.

Representations were indirectly made to Bulgaria that if she stirred up a fight, not only would no other power come to her aid, but intervention that would work to her disadvantage would undoubtedly follow.

The attitude of the larger powers is clearly that, since the serious Turco-Austrian menace has been removed, they do not propose to see European peace jeopardized by a foolish fuss begun by Bulgaria.

This warning note has also been sounded in Turkey, which probably accounts for her recent dropping of the boundary question. The powers were nearly all opposed to this.

It is understood that Bulgaria has agreed to pay Turkey \$20,000,000, which is \$10,000,000 under Turkey's recent demand.

For Occasions Requiring Flowers consult Shaffer, florist & decorator, 11th & L—Advt.

NEW LEECHES THRIVE ON THE NIGHT COURT

In Place of the Old Professional Bondsmen, Hotels Come to Aid of Women Arrested and Promptly Pay Their Fines When Called on by Messenger.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—The professional bondsmen who were to have been put out of business by the night court have been succeeded by certain Rialto law hotels, which advance the money for paying the fines of disorderly women instead of furnishing bail for them, according to Charles F. Flynn, a messenger in the night court, who testified before the legislative investigating committee of which Senator Alfred R. Page is chairman.

He said that when any of this class of women are taken to court and fined they usually send a note to one of these hotels and the money for the fine is promptly sent to them.

The establishment of the night court made bail for these women unnecessary. The money was invariably forthcoming. Flynn testified. Asked if the clerks at the hotels knew the women, he said "Of course they did."

Another fact brought out in connection with the night court was that although it handled 46,000 cases last year the cases in the day courts fell off but slightly.

The need of a separate court to deal with troubles between husbands and wives, to be known as the "Domestic Relations Court," took up much time.

Magistrate Barlow opposed a separate court for quarreling couples.

"It would take the direct descendant of an angel to preside over such a court," he said.

GOVERNMENT TAKES CASE AGAINST KEIRAN

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Patrick J. Keiran, head of the Fidelity Funding Company, which recently failed for \$5,000,000 appeared today before Referee in Bankruptcy Olney to be sworn and accept service, by which proceedings the Federal Government takes precedence in the case.

State Receiver Gilroy is said to have threatened Keiran with service of body attachment if he did not obey the summons of the supreme court, but Keiran said today he had heard nothing of this.

BROWN TAIL MOTH REACHES OUR SHORE

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Prof. John B. Smith, New Jersey State Entomologist, has sent out warnings that the "brown tail moth," which shoots vines from its body into people's skin, has invaded the United States.

The moth is also known as the nettie-bug.

Franklin School Entomology Free. To all pupils of Franklin School who call Saturday between 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. The F. G. Smith Piano Co., Broadway Bldg., 1255 Penna. Ave.—Advt.

FLAMES MAY CLOSE BIG SILVER MINES

Fire Cannot Be Controlled and Tunnels Likely to Be Flooded.

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev., Jan. 28.—Fire is still raging in the \$6,000,000 Sutter tunnel of the Comstock silver and copper mines, and early today the flames threatened to make necessary the flooding of all of the mines which the tunnel drains. This will result in millions of dollars loss, and long enforced idleness for the miners. Eighteen of the men have been overcome by gases while fighting the fire, and it is feared several will die.

The Sutter tunnel, with its laterals, is twelve miles long, and in addition to the drain, contains a trolley line used by the workmen.

When it was completed, thirty years ago, it was considered one of the greatest engineering feats in the country.

The flames broke out in one of the laterals. Water was poured in, and the flames stopped there, but they leaped 200 feet into another tunnel, where the men were overcome.

Baltimore and Return, \$1.25. Baltimore & Ohio R. R. Every Saturday and Sunday. All trains both ways, both days, except Royal Limited. City of Pines, 1417 G. St. and 619 Penna. Ave.—Advt.

DOG BITES BOY.

While on his way to school this morning, James Waters, thirteen years old, of 222 Delaware avenue northeast, was bitten on the leg by a stray dog at First and C streets northeast. The boy went to the Casualty Hospital, where he had the wound cauterized.

Mennen's talcum powder, a box 10c—and other toilets

La Blanche Face Powder, a box, 29c	Munyon's Witch Hazel Soap, a cake, 6c	Cosmo Butter-milk Soap, a cake, 5c	Lyon's Tooth Powder, a box, 11c	Tooth Brushes, regularly 15c and 25c. Special, 10c	Solid Back Nail Scrubs, regularly 35c, for 10c	Solid Back Hair Brushes, regularly 95c, for 49c	Hand Mirrors, regularly 95c, for 39c	Remick Cream de Lilas, regularly 25c a jar, for 15c
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The most popular \$4 shoe of the season at pair, \$2.95

IT IS OUR CRAVETTE CLOTH-TOP SHOE, in black only. Plain toes or tipped, in button style only. Made on a very comfortable last. A shoe that looks neat and trim, and is very stylish. Worth \$1.50 more than we ask tomorrow. Shoe Department—Second Floor.

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SATURDAY'S HOUSEFURNISHINGS SALE

Soaps. Six cakes for 21c. Not more than six cakes to one customer.

Wood, Cinnamon Oil, Gold Dust, Swift's Pride, 29c

Oatmeal, Pearline, Dr. S. Malt, Brooks' Crystal, Star, 29c

Quart bottle of Household Am- 34c. Not more than two bottles to a customer.

50c Wash Tubs of extra grade triple-coated galvanized iron, with riveted handles, 22-inch size. Sale price, 59c

50c Granite Iron Berlin 8-ounceless Sausagepans, with long handles and covers, in 10-pint size. Sale price, 29c

50c Wash Boilers of extra grade triple-coated galvanized iron, with strong handles and covers, in 8-gallon size. Sale price, 59c

50c Granite Iron Drip Coffee Pots, in 2-pint size. Sale price, 35c

50c Radiators in six-column size and in full aluminum finish; 20 inches high and fitted with patent gas tips. Warranted to give entire satisfaction. Sale price, \$2.19

50c Granite Iron Tea and Coffee Pots with handles and covers, in 2-pint size. Sale price, 14c

50c grade Table Oilcloth, in 54 width, plain white, and an assortment of pretty floral patterns, all first grade. Sale price, per yard, 15c

50c Stepladders of selected stock, well made, in 4-foot size; sale price, 39c

50c Water Pitchers of finest crystal glass, made and finished in shape and in hand-painted designs. Choice of three sizes. Will not crack or corrode. Sale price, 35c

50c Tea Kettles of best steel, with seamless bottoms and with enamel trimmings, heavy nickel plated. Choice of three sizes. Will not crack or corrode. Sale price, 49c

50c Water Tumblers of thin-blown crystal glass, with dainty band around top; 6-oz. size. Sale price, 4c

50c Wash Boilers of extra grade triple-coated galvanized iron, with strong handles and covers, in 8-gallon size. Sale price, 79c

50c Granite Iron Tea Kettles, with handles and covers, in 7-pint size. Sale price, 35c

50c Granite Iron Tea Kettles, with handles and covers, in 10-pint size. Sale price, 39c

50c Gas Lamps, with plain stand, extra grade burner, mantle and chimney, white porcelain shade, 6 feet of covered gas tubing and goose neck. Warranted to give entire and lasting satisfaction. Sale price, \$1.19

50c Wash Boilers of extra grade triple-coated galvanized iron, with strong handles and covers, in 8-gallon size. Sale price, 79c

Here's why it's an advantage to buy a new waist tomorrow

The advantage is twofold—of financial and style interest. The waists offered for tomorrow are styles that are correct for present or in-between-season wear. All are priced below real worth:

At \$2.95	At \$2.95	At \$2.00
We've a hundred new dress waists made of net and in eoru or white; yokes of heavy imitation Irish lace and broad bands of inserting to match; new long sleeves; fancy lace stock. Worth \$4.50. A special value tomorrow at \$2.95	White Jap Silk Waists with fancy yokes trimmed in Val lace inserting and heavy imitation Irish lace medallions. Worth more, but offered at \$2.95	Lingerie Waists in 6 new styles, trimmed in lace and insertings; new long sleeves. All sizes in all styles. Worth up to \$3.50. Choice tomorrow at \$2.00
At \$2.50		
Lingerie Waists of imported French mull with heavy lace yokes back and front; long tucked sleeves trimmed in lace. All sizes. Worth \$3.75. Special at \$2.50		

Cakes and good things from our model bakery

Tomorrow's menu is an extraordinarily attractive one, and a most inexpensive one. READ:

Citron Cake, 25c	Lemon Cakes—Cocoanut, Jelly, 39c	Almond Coffee Cake, a square, 10c
Devil Cake, a square, 25c	Plain and Almond White, doz. slices, 10c	Assorted Cookies, a doz., 10c
Cocoanut and Almond White, 40c	Apple and Mince Turnovers, two for 50c	Pound Cake, a lb., 25c
White and Gold Leaf Cakes, each, 15c		Fancy Vienna Rolls, a doz., 10c, 15c, and 20c
Jelly Roll, a roll, 15c		

Now buy—and buy generously 12 1/2c

fagotted dutch collars in all sizes, at

It is exceedingly difficult to secure these Linen Fagotted Dutch Collars in large enough quantities to be able to advertise and say "all sizes."

We've arranged to do so, though. Tomorrow, we'll have a lot of these Dutch Collars are fashion's favorites. Sizes 12 to 14, and all trimmed with 4 rows of fagotting. Buy enough for spring and summer at, each, 12 1/2c.

There will be a rush for SILK PETTICOATS	50c White metal belt buckles with your monogram 39c engraved, for.....
Inventory has disclosed many odd lots of Silk Petticoats, and these we have put together and offer tomorrow at following cut prices. All are good style—and of good quality fabric. We've not all shades though.	The engraving is a free gift to you, and you may watch the process. It is interesting. Large oval shaped, will not tarnish, and the monogram makes a pretty decoration.
SILK PETTICOATS, in black, red, green and lavender, some with jersey tops. Were \$3.00. Reduced to \$3.00. Close choice. \$3.00	GERMAN SILVER PURSE, four inch frame, three inch deep, has inside pocket; regularly \$1.00 each. Special 49c price tomorrow.
SILK PETTICOATS, in striped effects and plain colors of gray, old rose, green and brown. Were \$2.00. Reduced to \$6.50 close choice. \$6.50	BELT PINS, assorted styles, sell regularly at 25c each. Our price tomorrow each..... 25c
SILK PETTICOATS, in peacock blue, old rose, black, and changeable effects; full flare at bottom. Were \$5.00. Reduced to \$5.00 close choice. \$5.00	HAT PINS, assorted styles, regularly 25c. Tomorrow choice at..... 17c
2d floor—S. Kann, Sons & Co.	First Floor—Jewelry.

Another lot of die-stamped initial stationery, 10c box

The paper is a nice quality of white stock, stamped from steel dies. The paper is stamped in different colors and packed 3 colors to each box. Unstamped Envelopes to match paper included.

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Men's \$12.50 Suits, \$3.98

A remaining lot of single-breasted Suits, cassimeres and worsteds, mostly 34 and 35 sizes; reduced to \$3.98 for clearance.

Men's \$16.50 Suits, \$12.50

Choice of \$16.50 single and double-breasted Cassimeres and Worsteds; reduced to \$12.50.

Men's \$10.00 Overcoats, \$6.75

Men's Black and Oxford Overcoats, 46-inch lengths; reduced from \$10 to \$6.75.

Young Men's \$10.00 Suits, \$6.25

Young Men's Single and Double-breasted Suits, in fancy cassimeres and worsteds; sizes 16 to 18 years; reduced to \$6.25.

\$16.00 Fur Sets \$10.29

Striped Japanese Mink Fur Sets, consisting of 56-inch scarf, lined with satin, and large pillow muffs with satin lining.

\$18.00 Fur Sets \$11.75

Isabella Opossum Sets, consisting of scarf full 2 yards long; trimmed with eight full tails and braided silk ornaments, lined with satin and rug muffs with two large heads and tails, and lined with shirred silk mesaline.

Ladies' \$25.00 Suits \$17.98

Fine Broadcloth Suits, in garnet, blue, and black, full 36-inch coats; semi-fitting, with lapel collars trimmed in satin, full sleeves, cuffs trimmed in satin, and gored skirts trimmed above the hem with wide fold of self material.

Ladies' \$19.00 Coats \$9.98

Broadcloth Coats, in brown, blue, castor, garnet, tulle and black; full 48 inch coats; trimmed in stitched straps, collarless, lined with panne velvet trimmed in silk braid, full sleeves, cuffs reversed, trimmed in satin, and lined with Skinner's satin.

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